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**Subject:** FW: Comments--Butte Health Study Draft  
**Attachments:** Health Study--Need for Independent Review - Copy.docx

Hi Dan,

I am forwarding 2 emails from JR and Steve A. that would be considered public comment for the HS.

Thanks

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**Attached** please find comments that I am submitting preceding the impending release of Phase I of the Health Study. I feel that the time is now ripe for my comments, prior to the official start of the public comment period, in that it has been made clear to the public through numerous venues, such as public meetings, what will be in the draft. It has also been made clear that the EPA and MDEQ are renegeing on their promise of an independent peer review of the study that would actually impact the process before any final decisions are made. It is also clear that the EPA has failed to live up to its environmental justice mandate.

Perhaps, although I am so to speak "not holding my breath," these comments will have some impact. Specifically, I ask EPA and MDEQ to honor their commitment to provide an independent peer review of the Health Study. I ask EPA to live up to its mandage to promote environmental justice in all of its activities. I ask EPA and MDEQ to provide for meaningful public involvement in this process. Again, please see my **attachment** to this email.

Dr. John W. Ray